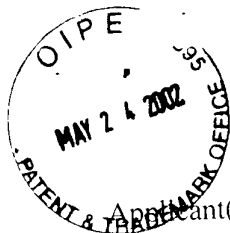




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TC 1700**In the Specification:**

At page 1, before the section titled "Technical Field", please add the following paragraph:

--This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/485,002, filed on January 31, 2000, which is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-29 and 36-67.

REMARKS

In the parent application, a restriction/election requirement was made on June 19.